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Baptists Near and Far

According to the federal bureau's figures Arkansas has the lowest infant mortality rate of any state reporting. Mississippi has the next lowest. For several years the total in all states has been growing smaller.—The Alabama Senate rejected the beer bill by a vote of 26 to 7.

Dr. J. E. Sammons of Georgia preaches the baccalaurate sermon at the commencement exercises of the Baptist Bible Institute.-The Southwest Mississippi Baptist Pastors' Conference meets May 15 at McComb. P. E. Cullom conducts the devotonal; B. E. Phillips speaks on Hospital Insurance; J. P. Williams is scheduled to speak on "My Message to Preachers"; I. H. Anding on "My Ministry For Christ"; devotional by Otis Jones; "Some Denominational Problems" discussed by J. B. Herndon; Bible Study (I Tim. 4-6) led by S. C. Pope.

To prevent the recurrence of an old ailment, Dr. F. F. Brown's physicians insist that he must rest for several weeks. This will prevent his being present and presiding at the S. B. Convention in Washington. He is assured that the rest will bring him back to his normal condition. He sends clarion call to Southern Baptists to "carry on." He is praying "that the Spirit of Christ may pervade the very atmosphere of the Convention; that a spirit of humility, prayer and consecration may dominate every discussion, and that God's Spirit may lead us to an attitude of unity, devotion and sacrifice that will spell victory in His Kingdom work." And may our God and Father strengthen him in body and soul.

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Rev. B. B. Hilbun succeeded Rev. W. S. Bullard at Columbia, Ky. He was pastor of some Delta churches while in Miss. College. He has been now 16 months at Columbia and finds the people exceedingly responsive. Recently he had with him Dr. F. F. Gibson of Louisville in a revival meeting, in which 51 were added to the church, 29 by baptism, making 73 additions in the 16 months. The Sunday school recently reached its highest mark. During the meeting Mrs. Gibson and Mrs. Hilbun (formerly Miss Genevieve Eure of Hattiesburg) rendered great help.—A brother writing in The Baptist Message of Louisiana voices a deeply felt need in his territory for a daily paper which has not sold out to the liquor people. Have to come to Mississippi.—Pastor McPheeters of Bonita combined the special April offering for missions with one to the Orphanage on a recent Sunday and his people, many of them unemployed, surprised him by giving over \$50.00. And they have tackled their church debt with the purpose to pay it off.-The Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans has in the past year paid all current accounts and all interest and maturing bonds. If any man is in position to speak to Southern Baptists about how to get out of debt, it would seem to be Supt. L. T. Bristow of the Hospital; and think of it, he's a preacher! -BR-

The Southern Baptist Convention meets in Washington, D. C., May 19-22. The meetings are he has to say something.

held in Washing Auditorium, 19 and New York Ave., beginning Friday morning at 9:30. Messengers must be elected by their churches, attested by a certificate from the clerk or pastor. Those going by rail must get certificates from Dr. Hight C. Moore, Sunday School Building, Nashville, Tenn., to get reduced rates.

More than 100,000 Northern Baptists are pledged to pray daily for missions.-Several policemen in New Orleans were suspended a few days ago for being intoxicated. Was it beer? If not, then beer in New Orleans does not prevent the sale of hard liquor by blind tigers.-Belgium, being in need of more revenue, decides that its law forbidding drinking alcoholic liquor in public is a "failure." So the repeal and the tax.-We received from Dr. Wendell Bailey a picture of the new science buildings of Richmond College soon to be dedicated. We have heard of these magnificent additions to the college's equipment but to see the pictures of them is a revelation. Dr. Bailey, formerly of Mississippi College faculty, is head of the Biology Department.

We have recently received and read a pamphlet, "Italy and Baptist Missions", written by Dr. D. G. Whittinghill of Rome, Italy. It is a most interesting, straightforward statement, in brief form of what Southern Baptists have done and are doing in Italy. Ten years ago an effort was made by various Baptist Mission Boards to assign certain mission fields to certain boards, in the interest of economy and efficiency. The work in Italy fell to Southern Baptists, the English Baptists retiring from the field. This little book is enlightening and stimulating to faith and consecrated effort in behalf of a people who need the pure gospel and are making response to it. The booklet may be obtained, we presume from the Foreign Mission Board in Richmond, or from the author in Rome, Italy, Piazza in Lucina, 35. We hope to give some quotations from this interesting booklet later.

Mrs. Norris Palmer of Mansfield, La., formerly Miss Emmerson of Hernando, is recovering nicely from an operation for appendicitis in the Baptist Hospital in Memphis.-More than 20 members have been received into First Church, Baton Rouge, in the past three months, while Dr. Bristow has been supplying the pulpit.-If there were no other good reason for opposing the observance of days and seasons in religion we should do it on the ground that about the deadest output in religious literature and preaching that we know anything about is that which is produced for special occasions such as Easter, or Christmas. Made to order sermons or newspaper articles are not like made-to-order clothes. They are just "hand-me-downs." Every editor, and we suppose other people, soon learns to detect the dead sound to any article that was written to fit the occasion of some ecclesiastical event. And he always skips it. There is nothing more perfunctory than a sermon or editorial or contributed article written by request. It is doomed to dryness; thrice dead and plucked up by the roots. A good sermon buds and blooms and fruits in a man's heart. "He knoweth not how." A man who speaks or writes ought to do so because he has something to say, and not because

And now comes brother J. L. Boyd who makes deposition or sump'n that he is of Scotch-Irish descent, proving it by his face and red head, and avers and avows that if the Baptist Record doesn't put in an occasional joke about the Scotch, not overlooking the Irish, that he will discontinue his subscription, after having taken it ever since the flood.

Pastor G. W. Duncan, for several years pastor in New Albany, Miss., now of Roanoke, Mo., recently had Dr. Edgar Godbold with him in a week's meeting. Fourteen added to the church .-We learn through a friend that Dr. D. I. Purser of Citadel Square Church, Charleston, S. C., is going to Rivermont Church, Lynchburg, Va. -BR

A youths' Revival and Training Course have been in progress at Calvary Church, Jackson, for the past week, assisted by Mr. Chester Swor of Mississippi College.—If we are sincere in our claim that Baptists mean to pay all their debts, now is a good time to begin by making a sacrificial offering to meet the immediate demands on our Convention Board. Brother Bryan Simmons has issued a challenge. "Others have enlisted, why not you?"

Dr. W. W. Barnes, chairman of committee appointed last year, writes that the following basis of representation will be proposed at the Convention in Washington:

"The Convention shall consist (1) of messengers appointed by Baptist churches or other Baptist organizations cooperating with the Southern Baptist Convention on the basis of one messenger for the first one hundred dollars or fraction thereof actually paid to the work of the Convention during the calendar year preceding the annual meeting of the Convention, and one messenger for each two hundred and fifty dollars additional; such messengers to be certified to the Convention by the appointing body; (2) of missionaries employed by the Foreign and Home Mission Boards of this Convention who may be present at the meeting."

We venture the objections that other bodies than Baptist churches should not be represented, and that missionaries ought to be on the same basis as other people.

-BR-Riverside Church, Tampa, Fla., of which Dr. Geo. H. Crutcher is pastor, had with them in a recent revival Dr. E. D. Solomon to preach and Mr. and Mrs. Cornett in the choir. There were 25 additions.—The Baptist Standard reports Dr. M. A. Jenkins of Abilene, and Dr. H. Beauchamp of Dallas, at home recovering after protracted hospital experience.—Certain restaurant owners and operators in Jackson are said to be urging the legislature to legalize the sale of beer. If this is true then we do not hesitate to say that every lover of temperance or sobriety ought to stay out of these restaurants.—The issue between the conservative and modernistic views of mission work so widely publicized in the book "Rethinking Missions," seems to be coming to a show of strength in the Northern Presbyterian Church. Dr. J. G. Machen has given notice that he will introduce a resolution in their Assembly calling for the resignation of all modernistic missionaries, and if this fails he will propose the forming of a new Presbyterian Board of Missions.

Editorials

FREEDOM AND AUTHORITY

These two words are sometimes used, maybe ordinarily used, to indicate two ideas that are set over against each other as if they were opposites. There may be times when they come into conflict, but it is rather a conflict of two persons or institutions, both claiming authority, rather than a conflict between freedom and authority. That is the conflict is between authorities. Freedom and authority are sometimes spoken of as the two poles in which the axis of life is fixed, about which all conduct revolves.

We confess to surprise, in reading the Greek Testament, to finding the same word translated by the two English words freedom and authority. It is the surprises in life that set us to thinking. Any who have sufficient curiosity about this matter and have a Greek Testament may find this use of the word for authority as equivalent to freedom or liberty and so translated in ninth chapter of First Corinthians, American Revised Version. The old version translates the word power, as, "Have we not power to eat and drink!" See verses 4, 5, 12, and see I Cor. 8:9, where the same word is translated liberty.

How can the same word mean authority and liberty? Two things need to be said. First there is no such thing as true liberty without authority, not where more than one person is involved; and certainly not where great multitudes are involved as in the intricacies of our social relations throughout the world. Otherwise the liberty of one is the enslavement of another, or at least interference with his will and activity. But if there is a recognized standard of right conduct, and a recognized method and means of enforcing the standard, then all may have and ought to have equal liberty under the law.

This principle means that there is one law or standard of right for all people, of whatever social position, financial standing or racial connection. We need to get this down deep in our inmost convictions and embodied in all our practices. Equality before the law, equality of opportunity, these are the fundamental rights of every man on earth. And we should not hesitate at the recognition of it or the observance of it. This principle will renovate much in our governmental and educational system.

To deny this is to say that we do not believe in freedom, and not to observe it is to destroy the fundamental basis of freedom for ourselves. Authority, or recognition of standards of right is necessary to freedom. Any freedom that comes otherwise is freedom gained by force and may be overthrown by force. In many places freedom for white people has meant slavery for other races; and there was a time when freedom for negroes meant oppression of white people. But this is not a stable basis for freedom, which must be based on recognition of the rights and common interests of all, supported by authority.

The other thing that needs to be said is that freedom that is genuine is simply a transfer of authority from the place of outward force to that of inward control. The authority or power or right, as the word is variously translated takes up its seat in the soul of the saved man, and so becomes liberty.

The New Testament has a great deal to say about the Christian being free. He is freed from the condemnation of the law; the sentence against him has been annulled. He is freed from the control of sin, so that he can now do right. But what we are speaking of here is that he is free to choose his own way, to act without restraint. He is not subject to control of outward authority. Jesus said, "The truth shall make you free."

All the writings of the New Testament recognize the freedom of the soul to mark out its own course, and the appeal is made to free men to live worthily of their freedom. James says, "So speak ye and so do as men that are to be judged

by a law of liberty." Freedom carries its responsibilities. Paul says, "Take heed lest by any means this liberty (authority) of yours become a stumbling block to the weak."

IS COOPERATION A FAILURE?

Dr. F. A. Agar is employed by the Board of Missionary Cooperation of the Northern Baptist Convention. He writes on the above subject in The Watchman and Examiner. He believes that democracy and cooperation among Northern Baptists is in danger. Because much he says is equally applicable to Southern Baptists, we quote several of his sentences.

To allow a board of deacons, or the pastor, or some large contributor to dictate the course of the church is to destroy the democracy and erect an autocracy in its place. No real Baptist church desires or will long allow itself to become an autocracy. * * *

In the operation of the Northern Baptist Convention there has arisen a condition that is likely to destroy both the exercise of democracy and—the spirit of cooperation. This danger arises out of the fact that the churches throughout the Northern Baptist Convention necessarily attempt to do some of their work through varied organized groups such as conventions, boards, or societies. * * *

True cooperation, under the exercise of Christian democracy, does not allow any one servant or cause to assume mastery for selfish ends, or indeed for any end. It is easy to become officious and talk too much, and to feel that superior wisdom is lodged in "me" or "my group." For the Northern Baptist Convention to allow national, State, or city groups to put their cause as against any of the other causes, or against all of them, is dangerous and destructive. * * *

To allow an organized minority, such as a group of national or State or city secretaries, as such, to dictate the policies of the Convention, is to destroy democracy and render cooperation impossible. * * *

Cooperation for one or all of the purposes of the Northern Baptist Convention can never be promoted or safeguarded by groups. It can only be attained through the action of individual delegates acting without regard primarily to any one group. A State or city executive, or any other denominational servant is not primarily a delegate to the Northern Baptist Convention in his official capacity, but as a local church member, and as such he is called upon to represent justly all the interests of the whole in absolute equity.

THE BREAKDOWN OF DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT

One of the most significant trends of our times is the abandonment of democratic government over a large part of the world within the past fifteen years. We had all thought that autocracy was given its death blow by the world war. Our people in the United States counted with great satisfaction the member of crowns that had been thrown into the discard in Europe in a few years time-twenty-seven in number, of we recollect right. It looked as if the world had not only been "made safe for democracy" to quote President Wilson, but had been made safe from any other form of government. Even the king of Sweden in greeting a group of big business men who were feeling the depression some years ago, said the business which was in the worst shape was the "king business."

But! Look what we have today! Russia that started out to be a great free state, after killing the whole family of the Tsar, turns overnight into government in the hands of one man with a united minority supporting him. China which started out bravely under Sun Yat Sen to be a republic goes to pieces at the first shock of Japanese aggression. Greece oscillates between one form of government until you don't know which it will be tomorrow. Italy turned bodily to Mussolini as the Fascist dictator to deliver it out of governmental and economic chaos. France in a delirium of rapture in its deliverance from

Germany, snaps back and forth from one premier to another and one cabinet to another so fast as to make your head swim. Germany which bounced the Hohengollerns out the window and got on its republican legs, walked unsteadily a while and now turns to a dictatorship. Spain wearied of a dynasty so physically diseased and is now trying the experiment of a republic too new to show results. Even Great Britain has oscillated violently from one party to another as a result of the worldwide earthquake. And everybody who reads and thinks a little knows what is happening in America today.

Here where democracy was supposed to have found its chief stronghold and exponent, here the fluid of freedom is crystalizing into rigid dictatorship. Congress has abandoned its claim to participation in government and is putting into the hands of the president such power as is not held by any man outside of Russia. This is said not as a critical comment, but as illustrative history.

In religion we are undergoing a similar transformation from democracy to a dominion of units or small groups. The Roman Catholic church, which for generations has been feared or hated because of its concentration of authority in the hands of one man, exercised through regular channels, now becomes the model and admiration of multitudes of people. All the efforts at federation and union and coordination of protestant bodies is just another name for an ecclesiastical hierarchy patterned after Rome.

And the brethren are now discussing as to whether we should say that a Baptist church is independent or autonomous. The fact is it is neither. We used to boast that our churches were independent bodies. Now we have modified it by saying they are interdependent, and we try to cover up our abandonment of the original conception of church polity by saying that the church is "autonomous," and we let it go at that because nobody knows what you mean. We cover up our retreat from a historical and Bibical position by a smoke screen of unfamiliar words. In many Baptist churches today there is no pretense of observing the forms of democratic government, that is handling of business by all the members of the church. This has been taken over by a board of deacons or some finance committee. The people are not trusted to handle it.

Have we abandoned the ideal of democratic government? Is this form of administration a failure? We need to give earnest heed to these questions, and see what the reason is for failure here. We believe that whether the breakdown is in political government or in the church, the reasons will be found much alike if not absolutely the same basally.

To begin with the churches. The preservation of the New Testament ideal of fullest freedom and democracy in the churches is dependent on quickened and sustained spiritual life. When spiritual life is at high tide there is unity without restraint or compulsion. The people will be of one mind when they have the mind of Christ. There will be one body when there is one Spirit in control. Spiritual life is produced by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit in the people of God. If they are aminated by the Holy Spirit there will be absolute freedom of the individual and perfect unity in the body of believers. They will do the will of God from the heart, and will not need the crack of the whip of the dictator.

If people are subject to dictatorial control, they have first of all themselves to blame. Drives to get results become necessary only when people are not moved by the Spirit of God. Ecclesiastical domination, whether in a local Baptist church or in the highly centralized Roman Catholic church is the result of low spiritual life, and outward constraint is substituted for the prompting of the Spirit of God. A great spiritual revival will save us from the heresy of outside domination. The law of the Spirit of life sets us free from the law of sin and death. If the Son shall make you free ye shall be free

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The quickening of life within us by the Spirit of God produces interest in the work of God and the ability to do the work. When interest lags then follows the dictator. The same conditions will be found in the state as in the church. Intelligent interest in the work of the church and the welfare of the state are necessary to save us from despotism. Honesty, intelligence and courage are necessary to democracy anywhere. Repulican form of government fails in China because the people are not informed. And democratic control and responsibility in religion cannot survive where people do not read a religious newspaper.

RELIEF AND ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

The first of the Southern Baptist Convention Boards to send out advance reports, to be made to the meeting in Washington, is the Relief and Annuity Board. It is generally difficult for the average person to understand the business of a board like this. But this report is as simple as the nature of its work permits. Some things in the report will interest all our people. Anybody wanting a complete report may get it from Dr. T. J. Watts, Secy. Dallas, Texas.

The Board "has met every obligation, contractual and otherwise, with regularily and punctuality." Its assets are well safeguarded and investments are in good securities. Income from investments was in 1932 \$210,980.75, or $5\frac{1}{2}$ per cent Total income \$353,234.54. Over \$70,000 were passed to the reserves. Total resources now more than five million dollars.

Of the \$1,290,499.67 invested in bonds only \$10,000 failed to pay interest coupons. That's a good showing in times like this. The Board has approximately \$2,000,000 invested in first mortgages on real estate. Only a small percentage of this had to be foreclosed. The Board has stocks valued at \$187,000, mostly the gift of Mr. Jno. D. Rockefeller.

No part of the expense of the board is paid out of gifts to the cooperative program, all of this being used for direct relief of old preachers and their widows.

Salaries were reduced for 1933 a little over fourteen per cent, and \$1,200 a year has been saved in rent for another year. The Relief and Annuity departments are entirely separate. On Dec. 1, 1932 the relief benefits paid out had amounted to \$1,619,078.45; and the annuity payments to \$405,544.49.

The new plan of the Board (Service Annuity) has made progress in spite of the depression, but its work needs to be and will be greatly enlarged when financial conditions improve. The work of the Board has been done under careful management and secures the largest benefits to old preachers and other denominational servants.

BASIS OF REPRESENTATION

Presuming that the chairman of the Committee appointed to present to the Convention an article dealing with the Basis of Representation has given a copy of the proposed article to the Press, I, as a member of the committee, am offering some comments on it without reproducing it. The article submitted was given to the committee for review before going to the Press.

1. Section (I) of the article tends to measure administrative interest and ability in terms of money. Determined by such terms, pastors and missionaries have little of either.

2. The expression "other Baptist organizations cooperating" tends to duplication and lop-sidedness. Practically all money reported by organizations cooperating with the Convention should and does pass through the treasuries of local churches. By this plan the W.M.U. Auxiliary to the S. B. C. would be entitled to about 4,000 messengers and if the Sunday School Board is considered a cooperative organization it would be entitled to about 2,000 messengers, to say nothing of Baptist Brotherhoods, District Associations, etc.

3. The Missionaries referred to in section 2 are members of churches and under a more reasonable plan could easily come as selected messengers.

In lieu of the above statements, I am offering the following as a basis of representation.

The Convention shall consist of messengers who are members of missionary Baptist Churches, cooperating in and contributing to the work of the Convention, on the following terms:

1. One messenger from each church so contributing, one additional messenger for the first two hundred members, and one for each additional two hundred or major fraction thereof, provided that no church shall have more than ten representatives.

2. Any such church which, for any reason can not provide its quota from its membership, shall be permitted to select representatives from sister churches of the same District Association.

3. All such messengers are to be elected by the churches and certified to the Convention by the pastor or clerk of the church electing them.

This provides the Convention a membership from cooperating churches on a numerial basis.

1. It will give a cooperative representation

from every section of the territory and from every condition of people among us.

2. It recognizes the spirit of liberality and cooperation rather than the amount of money given.

3. It affords an opportunity to draw to the Convention those who need to be developel as leaders among their own people.

4. It gives the local church its rightful place as the one organization for world conquest.

Asking that you recognize the importance of this matter to the end that you will give it serious and un-biased consideration, I am

Yours in Christ,
Bryan Simmons.

Convention Board Department

R. B. GUNTER, Cor. Sec'y.

This one thing we do, pay our debts.

1. The statement has come to the Board office that the Baptist denomination broke the Merchants Bank & Trust Company. In reply to this statement it should be observed that some three or four years ago the loan made by the Merchants Bank & Trust Company to the Mississippi Baptist Education Commission reached \$86,-000.00. This large amount was not all borrowed in one year; but from year to year as receipts from the Cooperative Program declined the Commission continued to borrow, upon the authority of the Baptist State Convention, in order to retire bonds maturing at Mississippi College and in order to pay interest on other college bonds. The \$86,000.00 loan has been reduced from year to year until the amount is now around \$26,000. The Education Commission borrowed last June some funds from the same Bank in order to pay interest on bonds. Again, in December it borrowed \$4,000.00. The loan made last June has been reduced to \$1,800.00 so that the total amount which the Convention owes the Merchants Bank & Trust Company is about \$32,000.00. Furthermore, the Baptist denomination has been very prompt in paying interest on all the money which it has borrowed up to this year. Had all who owe the Bank reduced loans within the past three years and had paid interest as promptly as has the Baptist denomination, the Bank would at this time be in splendid condition and running. This answers the first criticism. The Bank has near \$25,000 which belongs to Baptist agencies and institutions.

2. The second criticism which we have heard has been that the Baptist denomination should not have had so much money in the Bank when it closed; that the money sent in by the churches should have been sent out. Here is the explanation. The Baptist State Convention Board has to wait each month for a statement from the Bank before books can be balanced. Books have to be balanced before distribution of funds can be made. We receive the statement from the Bank anywhere from the 1st to the 4th of the month. The banking holiday was declared the second day of March. Consequently, we did not have time to receive a statement, to balance books, or to make distribution. We cannot distribute every day as any one familiar with book-keeping and banking would know.

But which is the worse off in this case, the Bank or the Baptist denomination? The State Board has tied up by the closing of the Bank \$5,360.00; the Baptist Orphanage has over \$18,-000, \$14,000.00 of which is for repair purposes so designated when contributed. This was on time deposit and was being used as needed for repairs. The Baptist Book Store has about \$1,-200.00 in the Bank. The Baptist denomination has tied up with the Bank less than \$25,000.00, but it owes the Bank about \$32,000.00. The Baptist State Board, due to the order of the Baptist State Convention, owes for the Education Commission about \$32,000.00 and has tied up, as stated above, \$5,360.00. These are the facts. Furthermore, we have been encouraged to believe that all of this amount to the credit of the Board can be applied on the indebtedness so that there shall be no loss whatsoever.

It might be observed also that a number of churches have had funds caught by banks which have closed, which funds belong to the various interests supported by the denomination. The State Convention Board has sustained considerable loss through the past ten years because funds have been tied up by banks which have closed holding funds contributed by the churches, which funds the treasurers of the churches had not sent in to the State Convention Board. We cannot always tell what is going to take place in the future. Hence, these misfortunes cannot always be averted.

IS THE LORD COLLECTING HIS TITHE?

Thus far we have seen no argument which disproves the teaching that the tithe is the Lord's. The doctrine is specifically taught in the Old Testament. It is approved in the New Testament. It is implied in the New Testament. It was practiced while the New was in the making. It was practiced by New Testament churches during the first two centuries.

The earthquakes, the hailstorms, the cyclones, the floods all remind us that the Lord may be collecting His tithe by reducing our income so that it is in keeping with the amount which His people are giving to His work.

We are paying it as, we help the people who suffer from various disasters. We pay it in taxes as we pay the loans which the Government is making to the states. We pay it as we feed the hungry; none of which would be necessary if we were paying into His treasury for the preaching of the Gospel and the carrying on of His work as we should.

Let's go back and study Malachi and find ourselves and the way out.

If any churches failed to make contributions by the last Sunday in April, it is important that they still do so. If the offerings are made and sent in immediately, they will aid the State Board in meeting some of its pressing obligations.

One missionary pastor whom we have been unable to pay says his family has been sick and that they are in need of the necessities of life.

It is reported that the Roman Catholic people have dropped only 10% in their contributions and that they are endeavoring to make that up. We would do well to learn the reason why this denomination supports its work better than do other denominations.

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

OUR STATE OFFICERS

Recording Secretary-Mrs. D. C. Simmons, Jackson, Miss. President-Mrs. A. J. Aven, Clinton, Miss. Stewardship Leader-Mrs. Herman Dean, Brookhaven, Miss. Personal Service-Mrs. M. O. Patterson, Clinton, Miss. Corresponding Secretary-Miss Fannie Traylor Margaret Fund Trustee-Mrs. D. M. Nelson, Clinton, Miss.

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We have been faithful in bringing our gifts for Training School Expense, Margaret Fund and State Scholarships. We met our apportionment of \$2,020.00 for Training School Expense and Margaret Fund, our scholarships are paid through the first semester-making full amount for 1932 \$3,057.00. We must bear in mind our schools are coming to a close and the full amounts for our scholarships should be paid.

If for any reason your society has not received an apportionment, ask the superintendent of your association about it. The superintendent receives the association's apportionment from the District Chairman. If each society is faithful the burden will not be heavy on anyone and our obligations will be met promptly.

Two of our Training School Scholarship girls, Margaret Whisenhunt and Lula Musgavoy, are finishing at Louisville, May 1st. Let us pray that their rightful field of service will open to them. The W.M.U. extends greetings and congratulations to them.

We want to thank associational superintendents, young people's counselors and associational leaders for their untiring efforts in extending our W.M.U. organizations. This year through April 10th we have had 20 W.M.S., 17 Sunbeam Bands, 16 R.A.'s, 23 G.A.'s, and 15 Y.W.A.'s, making a total of 91 new organizations. Yet there are practically one-half of our churches without societies.

It was my privilege to be at Kosciusko at an associational rally April 28th. There were 13 churches and about 125 people present. A number of new organizations have come into existence in the last few weeks and every one of these was represented except one. From the reports of the new organizations we learned that 125 women have been enlisted since March 14th. This indicates that these women in Attala County are busy in the extension program. Mrs. Spain the superintendent, is giving her best to the work. She has used our field worker, Miss Evie Landrum two weeks and results are very gratifying.

THE EX. COM. WILL RECOMMEND THE FOLLOWING TO THE CONVENTION IN WASHINGTON

-0-"1. That the debt needs of each agency be handled separately; that the Executive Committee collaborate with the agencies, in refunding or adjustment of debts; that when desirable and necessary bonds be issued; that said bonds be mortgage agency bonds of ten to twenty year maturities with callable provision and under the approval of the Southern Baptist Convention or its Executive Committee.

"2. The Southern Baptist Convention recogthat in the minds and hearts of many of our people there is deep concern regarding their support of the Southern Baptist Convention agencies, due to stressful emergencies in local church and state interests; the Convention therefore reasserts its right of direct approach to the churches in behalf of its agencies and most fraternally insists upon the right of conference and agreement with state agencies in the collection and distribution of gifts. Unless our people can be assured that their gifts will thus be safeguarded, they will and ought to assert their right through designations or direct remittance to determine where their gifts shall go.

"3. We approve the organization of the Bap-

We will be glad to lend Miss Landrum to any superintendent who will plan a week's work among her weak societies or unorganized churches. This will mean the strengthening of the weak ones and a good start for the newly organized.

In his daily Bible reading Mr. Giang came to Psalm 125. He read the first two verses then read them again. How wonderful! He had never just gotten the force of what they were saying before. He read through the short Psalm then re-read verse two. "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about His people from henceforth even forever." No need for worry or anxiety for "They that trust in the Lord shall not be moved-the Lord is round about His people-forever."

This struck him so forcibly that he went to a Christian friend and said "see what the Lord has given to me today." In my heart I believe it. Wonderful! Wonderful!!

Mr. Giang's daughter was in Bible school preparing for His service. It was time for winter vacation. As the pupils were preparing to leave for their homes the Lady Principal called them in and read the 125th Psalm, especially stressing verses one and two. She well knew that Shantung is full of bandits and highway robbers and that travel at this vacation time was far from safe. After prayer she committed them to the Lord with "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about His people from henceforth even forever."

Miss Giang and a young lady teacher were traveling together. After a couple of hours by train then there were the 40 miles of overland travel. Other passengers were also enroute to Pingtu so two carts were engaged. These two Christian girls with eight or ten others filled the carts. Over and over "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about His people," rang through their hearts. As they traveled slowly over the long dangerous road, their hearts were constantly lifted to Him in prayer and thanksgiving. These two felt that He would shield them from all harm. After

about half the journey had passed two men with guns stopped the carts in a lonely field, ordering the passengers out. They searched them one by one, opening all hand baggage, etc., relieving each one of what money they carried.

The two Christian girls sat calmly in the cart repeating softly "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about His people." Whether an angel covered them so that they were not seen by the robbers we do not know. We do know that the angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them. When the robbers had finished with the others, robbing each man, woman and child the carts were ordered to move on. For a time all was quiet, then some one said "and you two ladies were not robbed! How was that? Are you Christians and did your God protect you?" Gladly did these two girls give glory to our Heavenly Father. "Yes, we are Christians and our Father did protect us." "The Lord is round about His people." Thus witness was borne to these idel worshippers that our God is the true and living God and that He cares for His own.

On arriving home Miss Gaing told how her teacher had given them Psalm 125 and how the second verse had been in their hearts all the day long and how it had been proven true when they were held up by the robbers. Then it was that Mr. Giany understood why the Lord had filled his heart with their very Psalm, and especially with verse two. At the very hour when the girls were being protected from the robbers he was praising the Lord for this very verse "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about His people from henceforth even forever."

You can well understand how there was thanksgiving and praise in the Giang home that even-

Pray with us that we may continue to see His wonderful works and that souls may continue to be saved. Pray and praise with us.

Sincerely, your sister in the Lord, Pearl Caldwell.

March 30, 1933.

tist 100,000 Club method of systematically reducing the indebtedness of the institutions, boards and agencies of the Convention.

"We further recommend that the Executive Committee appoint a special committee of three to work out the details of such a plan and present them to the Promotion Committee.

"4. We recommend the allocation of calendar fime to the several causes included in the Cooperative Program as a means of keeping our people informed and enlisted in the support of the whole program.

The Southwestern Seminary is graduating fine class this year and you will likely be glad to know that three members of the class are from Mississippi. They are: J. E. Byrd, J. B. Flowers, and C. J. St. John. Brother Flowers and brother Byrd would be glad to get in touch with church work in Mississippi, while brother St. John will do rescue mission work, going the first of June to New York, Chicago and other northern cities to study rescue mission work, expecting to settle permanently at New Orleans within a year.—A. T. Pilgreen.

We would appreciate it if every one in sending in their renewal would solicit and send us one new subscriber.

If date on your paper each week reads April 1933 please renew at once.

BR-The old historic Green's Creek Baptist Church near Hattiesburg will, for the first time in its history, have full-time preaching. Two months ago A. R. Adams was called as pastor for half time and, as a result of increased activity and new life among the membership, it was decided to begin full time work Sunday, May 7th.

-BR-

From Prof. E. O. Sellers we learn that Pastor H. K. Corder of Picayune, will be able to return from the Baptist Hospital in New Orleans this week, recovering rapidly. Prof. Sellers supplied at Picayune Sunday and for Pastor Posey at Coliseum Church in New Orleans the Sunday before, while the pastor was in a meeting with Dr. T. D. Brown at St. Charles Ave. Church. -BR-

Information comes from the railroads that special rates will be given those who go to the Southern Baptist Convention in Washington. From Vicksburg \$42.20; from Jackson \$40.45; from Meridian \$36.60; from Hattiesburg \$40.00; from Corinth \$33.60. Lower berth in Pullman one way \$11.25. From all these places, except Corinth and Hattiesburg you get your ticket from the I. C.

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East Mississippi Department By R. L. BRELAND

IN OLD KENTUCKY

Mrs. Breland and I are with our son, Rev. Clyde Breland, and family at Richmond, Ky. A meeting is in progress at the First Baptist Church of which our son is pastor. The writer is doing the preaching. Congregations are fair. It has been raining and is now cold. We look for better crowds soon. The meeting will continue for two weeks, until the first Sunday in May. Pray that the Lord will give a great blessing.

This is a beautiful country. Richmond is in the heart of the Blue grass Region, the "land of pretty women and fast horses." I have seen some of the former, but have not got out among the horses yet. It is a hilly country, but the hills are undulating and make the scenery more admirable. It is "Cherry Blossom Time" here, and the yards and orchards are snow-white with flowers. The air is laden with the aroma that the flowers give off. The iris and lilac are in bloom also, the trees are just putting on their coat of green and the sight is a beautiful one. Wheat is small yet and the tobacco plants are still in the bed covered up.

The people are friendly and seem to like the old-fashioned gospel of salvation by grace that the writer is giving them. Many of them are from the mountains of east Kentucky and are a bit saturated with the primitive idea of things and the harder the doctrine the better they like it. Predestination and total depravity have large place in their thinking, These are good, but there is a more excellent way. By grace are ye saved through faith is God's plan of preaching the Word. We must magnify Christ, but not forget man's free-agency in the mat-

Well, we hope to be back in a week or two, for it makes no difference how well one fares away, he

longs for the land he calls home. So we will be glad when we get back to the land of our birth. May the Lord be with you.

-0-NOTES AND COMMENTS

Pastors R. B. Patterson, of Calhoun City, and Harvey Gray, of Providence, attended the Vanderbilt University Rural Pastors' Course, Nashville, Tenn., for two weeks. They report a profitable time.

-0-Pastor Clyde L. Breland, of Richmond, Ky., recently held a meeting with the Hazard Baptist Church, Hazard, Ky., of which Rev. Louis W. Martin, is the pastor. He reports a good meeting. Hazard is in the mountain district of eastern Kentucky, but a splendid town.

Last Sunday Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey, president of Blue Mountain College, delivered the commencement sermon to the graduates of Coffeeville High School. Twentyfour fine boys and girls got their diplomas from this school this year. Prof. W. P. York is superintendent.

The Scuna Valley Consolidated High School, of which Prof. H. C. Waltman is Superintendent, closed a successful session last week. There were several graduates. Practically the entire faculty has been re-elected for another session. Dr. J. R. Countiss, president of Grenada Female College, delivered the graduating address.

The Senior B.Y.P.U. of Pittsboro Baptist Church gave a splendid play the fourth Sunday night, "The Conversion of Deacon Brown to Tithing." Mrs. Carrie Lee Keffer directed the play. These are fine workers in the church.

The North Carrollton Baptist Church is studying Dr. William M. Groom's Popular Bible Course in monthly meetings. Those who are taking the course are getting much pleasure as well as profit from this study. The pastor assisted by Mrs. T. M. Stepp and others are conducting the course. This is a splendid book for this kind of study. The W.M.S. of Pittsboro Baptist Church is studying the book also.

Kentucky has her beer. When we crossed the line into the state the first sign that greeted us was "BEER" in big letters. They say it is not intoxicating. I have not tried it, but better keep it out of Mississippi.

A MOTHER'S ADVICE



VERY mother Lknows those anxious years when her daughter is becoming a woman. The wise mother makes a confidant of her child, advises her as to her physical well-being, and watches careful-

ly for any symptoms that will indicate that her daughter's health is not all it should be. Read what Mrs. S. A. Melton of 1317 Reynolds St., Shreveport, La., says: "I am glad to say that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription gave my daughter good health when she was growing into womanhood and that she grew to be a real stout woman and raised a family of stout healthy children."

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MSCW MUMBLES

The council for 1933-34 has been elected. Bertha Walters of Jackson is the new President; Vivian Dodo Duffee of Gulfport is first vicepresident; second vice-president is Lois Stewart of Columbus; third vice-president is Ruth Walker of Independence; secretary, Edna Ruth Davis of Port Gibson; treasurer, Gladys Clement of Terry; Baptist Student Collector, Helena Hailey of McComb; reporter, Margaret Gooch of Yazoo City; Music Chairman, Nell Bradley of Isola; House Beautiful Chairmen, Laxine Kidd of Potts Camp and Katibel Yelverton of Mize; Bill Tullos of Morton, Sunday School Director; Esther Bradley of Isola, BYPU Director; YWA Director, Jo Richardson of Okolona; Margaret Ward of Columbus, town girl; Neva Avery, East End Representative.

The retiring council members are: Grace Bush, president; Attie Lea Brashears, first vice-president; Jo Crain, third vice-president; Kendek Gibson, secretary; Lavonne Reeves, treasurer; Wilna Ruth Ray, pianist; Myrtle Rose Letts, chorister; Clara Brashears, Sunday school director; and Ernestine May, YWA director; Marion Bassett, East End Representative. All our love and best wishes go with these girls as they leave the council this year. They've been consecrated and faithful and we love each of them.

We've already enlisted for Ridgecrest 12 out of the goal of twentyfive that we set. These 12 are positive that they are going. There is a prospect on the bulletin board right opposite the certain list and about twice as many have signed up as hoping to go. Above all other things we are stressing Ridgecrest. There can be obtained a spiritual outlook that can't be obtained on any college campus or in any home town. There the finest of the youth of our southland meet, and there we are going for "fellowship, fun,

and spirituality." How did you all like our Baptist Student feature? We liked it, and that isn't conceit, either! We all still have favorite foods. Clara got her bananas at Mississippi College. The four others who liked them so well got a box from DeWitt Matthews with four huge bananas in it. Bertha evidently got her ice cream at Mississippi College, too. The dietician down there must have the same likes that Edna Ruth has, for all of her favorite food except the onions were served at dinner. Thanks for the food. And did you notice that all our songs at the Retreat featured FOOD? And who took the hint? Next week we'll in-Miss Margaret Gooch, to all who plan makes it easy for organizations to don't already know her. So, good-

-BR-SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE APRIL 30, 1933

Jackson, First Church	879
Jackson, Calvary Church	1,051
Jackson, Grif. Mem. Church .	509
Jackson, Davis Mem. Church	453
Jackson, Parkway Church .	210
Jackson, Northside Church	
Meridian, First Church	
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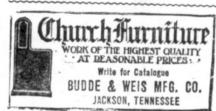
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Jackson, First Church	114
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# The Children's Circle

My Dear Children: many now. And when it brings

Here is a postscript to the letter I wrote you last week about our friend, Donald Keith. You remember that I told you he was not so well, and was at the Sanatorium again, after a spell of flu? His mother writes me that he has been allowed to come home, and seems to be doing nicely. He has to stay in bed part of every day, but only about three hours. Won't it be fine if he can get well now, staying at home, and not have to be away from his folks? He can do it if he will take good care of himself, I believe. He was grateful for a Jig-Saw Puzzle I sent him, and said he enjoyed it very much. He might like another one, but if you have some other little things, maybe you'd better send that, so that he won't get too many Jig-Saws. His address is Donald Keith, Raymond,

A friend here promised to make him some candy, and he will appreciate any little thing, or a letter or card from you.

No report this week about April, because I sent the money last week to our Causes, and gave the report. It was early, but not too early, I think.

Love to you all, from Mrs. Lipsey.

Bible Questions No. 18; May 4th. Death of David's Infant Son: II Sam. 12:15-23.

Was the death of David's baby part of God's punishment for his sin?
 How did David show his dis-

tress when the child was sick?

3. Would he pay any attention to his friends, trying to help him?

4. How long was the little boy

sick? What happened then?
5. Why did the servants of David fear to tell him of his son's death?
6. But what did David do when

he heard it?
7. What did he tell his servants

about this?
8. How did he show his belief in a life after death? Verse 23, last clause.

Newton, Miss. April 25, 1933.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

We haven't written you in a long time but we still remember to read your letter and the other letters on the Children's Page. Our Sunbeam Band has been meeting all this year, Mrs. J. W. Tillson is the leader with the College Y.W.A. girls helping her.

We are sending twenty-five cents for you to send to the Baptist Home, we hope we can help you again soon.

Yours little friends,
Clarke College Sunbeams,
Estelle Wood See'y

Estelle Wood, Sec'y.

Have I told you how glad I am, always, to get your letter and gift?

Well, I am. And I'm so much obliged for both. I am sure you have been having good meetings with Mrs. Tillson and her helpers. Come again when you can. I send my love to every one.

Leland, Miss. April 25, 1933.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I am glad the contributions are coming in well from the clubs and others, helping through these hard times. I enjoy reading the letters each week. I am sending two dollars, \$2.00 for Jeannie Lipsey Club No. 9, for April.

Your friend,
Mary Adelyn Milam.
I'm always glad to get a letter,
Mary Adelyn, for we don't have so

many now. And when it brings a good contribution that is good, too, and I thank you. Is your club as large as it was? I think it was the largest we had. Give my love to your Mother, and keep some for yourself.

Winona, Miss. April 26, 1933.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Isn't this spring weather fine? How we do enjoy the pretty flowers blooming and the birds singing. Our school is out this week, then we can fish and play. With best wishes we are sending \$1.00 from Jeannie Lipsey Club No. 10.

Scotland Jr. BYPU,
Pres. Mavis Stephens.
Many thanks to Jeannie Lipsey
Club No. 3, and its President! Remember me kindly to Mrs. Box, also,
my dear. We are mightily helped by
your regular coming.

#### BROOKHAVEN

Pastor A. F. Crittendon has been four years at Brookhaven. Some of the things accomplished under the blessing of God are:

There have been 387 additions to the membership of the church, 143 by baptism and 244 by letter.

The church has raised a total of \$61,639.67 for all purposes, \$36,000 for local expenses and \$25,639.67 for Missions, Benevolence, etc.

The Sunday school work has increased from an enrollment, (including Cradle Roll and Home Department) of 788 to an enrollment of 985, and from an average attendance of 413 to an average attendance of 521.

The BYPU work has increased from 5 unions with 90 enrolled to 9 unions (including Story Hour) with an enrollment of 218.

The W.M.U. work has grown from 5 organizations with 158 members to 8 organizations with 280 members.

The pastor has made over 5,000 pastoral calls preached more than 400 sermons, conducted many funerals and married a good many couples.

B. B. I. ITEMS
President W. W. Hamilton,
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dr. J. E. Sammons, pastor of Vineville Church, Macon, Georgia, and president of the Georgia Baptist Convention, will preach the baccalaureate sermon at the Baptist Bible Institute on Friday morning, May 5, in Managan Chapel.

Addresses will be delivered this year by Rev. Maurice Aguillard, of Louisiana, Mrs. H. D. Jordan, of Mississippi, and by Rev. Louis A. Stagg, of Louisiana. These addresses will be given as a part of the graduating exercises.

Mr. Edmond Keith, of Upton, Ky., will give his graduating recital on

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Thursday evening, May 4. He will receive this session the degree of Bachelor of Gospel Music.

Eighteen degrees and eight diplomas are to be awarded at commencement covering work in Gospel Music, Religious Education, Christian Training, and Theology.

Miss Margaret Lopez, of Louisiana, and Mr. Maynard Vick, of Illinois, are to be married immediately following the final commencement exercises. The wedding ceremony will take place in Managan Chapel.

B. B. I. students, under the leadership of Mrs. M. L. Jenkins, have been giving programs at various churches and at denominational gatherings in and around New Orleans.

The French work in this city, under the leadership of Rev. Maurice Aguillard, has been greatly blessed in recent weeks. Brother Aguillard is organizing a force for enlarging the activities this summer.

A successful tent meeting in a great mission section of New Orleans is being conducted by the newly constituted Franklin Avenue Church. Mr. Howard Williams is preaching and the students are helping in the music and in visitation and in personal work.

The enrollment at B.B.I. for 1932-33 has been 242, including 42 in correspondence work and 40 in the night class.

Among the recent visitors to our chapel have been Dr. John Timothy Stone, of the Chicago Presbyterian Seminary, and Dr. T. W. Ayers who is field worker for our Foreign Mission Board.

The student body has decided to discontinue next year the publication of "The Magnet." This action was taken at the suggestion of the faculty and on account of financial conditions.

"The Magnet" staff for this last year has been Durant Frink, Burton A. Miley, Houston Smith, Mrs. J. W. Buckner, Miss Marian Turner, Miss Esther Mayers, Vaughan Rock, Miss Jennie Lee Hunt, Raymond Reedy. Dr. J. E. Gwatkin was faculty adviser.

A prohibition court trial was given in March in the auditorium by the faculty and students. It was entitled "Who Killed Earl Wright?" There was a great crowd present, and the lessons taught will never be forgotten. Dr. L. W. Sloan, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Louisiana, was present and took part as one of the attorneys in the case.



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### Y. P. U. Department "We Study That We May Serve"

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#### GOOD NEWS, BYPU STOCK GOES UP SEVERAL HUNDRED PER CENT

Two interesting and most gratifying measures were passed by the Sunday School Board in its recent meeting. These two measures affect the BYPU work of the South. First we are delighted to announce that the Board voted to add two southwide workers to the BYPU Department. Mr. W. A. Harrell, who has been with the Young people's and Adult Department will be transferred to the BYPU Department beginning June 15th. and Mr. Aubrey Hearn who has for several years been associate editor of the BYPU Magazine will give full time to the work beginning June 15th. This addition to the BYPU work. Then we are also pleased to announce that the Third Southwide BYPU Conference will be held either the last of December or sometime in January 1934. All of this BYPU news means that the rapid progress of BYPU in the South has justified this additional interest as manifested on the part of the Sunday School Board. Mississippi will share with the other states in this added progressive step.

#### OAKLAND BYPU HAS SPECIAL SERVICE FOR AWARDING DIPLOMAS

Under the leadership of Mrs. J. H. Page, BYPU Director, the Oakland BYPU's recently had a most interesting program in which the awards for their study course were given out. The program opened with all singing "He is a Wonderful Savior to Me" followed by scripture reading and prayer. "BYPU Invitation" was given by Floyd Page, "Church Bells" by Junior girls, Song by Intermediates, Four five minute speeches on "Our Theme for January, February, March and April," Song by the Seniors, "Why an A-1 BYPU." by Hilma Royal, Inspiration "The Importance of Training for Service," and then the giving of the awards. The program was well received and counted as a great success.

#### MCAFEE ORGANIZES TWO BYPU'S

Two BYPU's have recently been organized at McAfee Logging Camps, a Senior and a Junior. Mr. Gayle Cooper was elected director

and reports that they start with an enrollment of thirty-five. The Juniors meet in the afternoon and the Seniors at night, this made necessary because of local conditions and equipment. Mr. Cooper seeking to begin right, immediately planned for a study course for his BYPU's so that every officer and committee might know just what his responsibilities as well as opportunities would be. We congratulate this church and these young people.

#### ALCORN COUNTY ELECTS MRS. ROY RICHARDSON

At the last meeting of the Alcorn Associational BYPU Mrs. Roy Richardson of First Church, Corinth, was elected to the office of president. Mrs. Richardson succeeds Mr. J. N. Kellogg of Rienzi. Mr. Kellogg has rendered efficient service, having been the first president and leading the association in a progressive march. Mrs. Richardson is a new comer to Mississippi having been an enthusiastic BYPU leader in Montgomery, Ala. We are happy to have her in our state and congratulate Corinth and Alcorn County in having her as a part of their organization.

Let all Junior and Intermediate BYPU leaders be sure to have the name of their contestants sent in to us by May fifteenth if possible. We are expecting this year to have the largest number of contestants we have ever had.

Our District BYPU Conventions will feature xylophone, trombone, violin and other special music as far as we can arrange it. We hope for the music of our conventions to be the very best possible.

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Union Associational BYPU has been reorganized under the leadership of Mrs. W. C. Morgan of Union Church. Our first meeting was held at Beech Grove church Sunday afternoon, April 16, with 71 BYPU members present and a large number of visitors. A good program was given by the organizations of the church. A very interesting feature was the inspirational address by Rev. C. W. Thompson, pastor of the Baptist church at Port Gibson. The next meeting will be at Port Gibson church July 30 at 2:30 P.M. Eula Myers, Reporter.

#### IN MEMORY OF MRS. S. M. SMITH OF MALVINA, MISS.

On March the 25th at Clarksdale, Miss., the spirit of Mrs. S. M. Smith bade goodbye to loved ones here on earth and entered the golden gates to dwell forever in the eternal love of God her Father. Jesus called her o'er the tumult and she answered "Here am I."

Catherine Norwood Smith spent her early years in the county of Hinds where she taught and it was here that she began the beautiful life of service to others that was patterned after the life of her Master. In Hinds County she married S. M. Smith, whose family had played an important part in the settlement of the county and for fifty-one years they tred life's pathway together. Early in their married life they moved to the Delta section of the state and there made their home. The last few years were spent on their plantation near Malvina where her consecrated life shed its influence for righteousness on all with whom she came in contact. She leaves five children and her husband to mourn her loss and to reverence her memory. These are: Elise Smith of Clarksdale, Miss., Mrs. Kate S. Penn of Robinsonville, Miss., Jessie Smith of New York, Norwood Smith of Malvina, and Yeaman Smith of Birmingham, Ala. There is also one sister, Mrs. C. S. Spann of Raymond, Miss., and many nieces and nephews who will miss her tender solicitude for their welfare. Her children rise up to call her blessed and none knew her but to love her.

She had a God-lit passion for souls and her burning theme was Christ. Though at times clouds of trouble or of pain shut out the skies of blue, yet to her the stars of God's eternal love were always shining through. The last few years of her seventyfive years were ones of suffering, but there were no tears of bitterness and death had no sting for her. Her mind was kept in perfect peace because it rested upon her Lord. Goodness and mercy were her handmaidens and she lived by the side of the road and was a friend to man. As a trust from her Master she used her time, talents, influence, power, ability, money and life itself for her Saviour and she has entered into her reward where she will hear the plaudit, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

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#### THE COUNTRY CHURCH

I have thought much over the problems concerning the future of those churches that have meant so much to God and His glory in the past. I am sure that "they shall not pass."

Unless there are some changes made, however, it seems they must fail. Fail, not because of the weakness of God but of their own failure to use the power He has pro-

The first change, if these glories of the Lord are to be perpetuated, is on the part of us who preach.



The Southern Baptist Hospital paid all its operating expenses, including charity, paid all interest on its capital debt, and reduced its debt \$24,000 during the year which closed March 31st. This is one Baptist agency which has not increased its debt, but has reduced it every year since it was established; and paid its operating expenses, and paid for all charity service given to the poor.

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When we get the spirit and love of God in our hearts until we know, "Woe is me if I preach not the gospel," when we reach the place where we are willing to give up everything even to the leaving of "the dead to bury their dead," the cry of failure is going to cease to

The next change is on the part of the people. When they love God and their fellowman until they are willing to sell what they have and leave it at the "Apostles' feet" to be used in God's service the victory will be well nigh won. When they hear the command to "bring all the tithe into the storehouse" then heed that call and prove Him, the work in the remote places will surge for-

We all appear "empty before the Lord" and as a result go empty

Will these changes ever be made? In my estimation, knowing God and His power, I believe they will. Even now I believe that beneath the surface He has plans at work that will bring us all closer to Him. The sooner the better. Let us not hinder but pray His will be

Those who love His appearing preach not for money but for His glory. We must have help as we help. We at home and those abroad. Every one, preacher and all, knows that "Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe," so let us "render unto God the things that are God's." Then onward we will go until "Christ is Lord indeed."

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#### Sunday School Lesson

GOING UP TO JERUSALEM Sunday School Lesson for May 7. Mark 10:32-45.

This period of private and personal instruction is coming to an end. And yet the lessons the Master has been trying to instill have not been learned. Steadily Jesus moves toward the cross. Stubbornly selfishness holds the disciples in its grip. Again and again has He sought to show them the way of utter renunciation of self, the necessity of the cross for Him and for them. Blindly they persist in their claim and clamor for place. So persistent is self, so hard to eradicate. And when we think we have succeeded it comes up in a new place or a new way. Nothing will destroy it but the cross and the outpouring of the Holy Ghost.

Jesus was going before. He was underterred. His face was set. Nothing could divert Him from the purpose. All efforts to dissuade Him had failed. What strength is shown in this heroic figure, on the way to Jerusalem and Calvary! What a spirit of heroism and devotion. If others hang back, he will show the way to victory.

They were amazed. They knew that He was walking into danger and death. Why would any one adhere to such a purpose, knowing the issue? They had never seen such devotion, such calm confidence. What was sustaining Him in all this? The sublimity of it!

They were afraid. And well they might be for it seemed to mean certain death, and they had not learned the secret of giving life joyfully for a great and worthy purpose. He knew the danger as well as they, but He was sustained by the knowledge that the object to be obtained was well worth the

He began to tell them. He saw their plight, and would speak again plainly to them. It was not that He did not foresee what would happen. He foretells it in minute detail. He would not deceive them, nor leave them in ignorance of what would happen. He will be delivered by one of them to those who had long sought His life, the chief priests and scribes. They will condemn Him to death and turn Him over to the Gentiles. He will be subjected to shameful indignities, mocked, spit upon, scourged, killed. But He would rise on the third day. He faces it all and is not afraid.

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This is all strange to them. They have much to learn.

What strange things all this starts in their minds. The very thing it was intended to correct, it brings into activity. So be it, that is the only way to get rid of it. First it must be brought to light. Just as through the law comes the knowledge of sin. He is doing now what the psalmist prayed for, "Search me, O God, and know my heart: Try me and know my thoughts; And see if there by any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." The game must be driven that the hunter may have his chance.

This going to Jerusalem, this talk about coming now to the crisis and to decision, death and resurrection; they didn't understand all about it, but it might mean that He was coming into His kingdom, Better get in line for promotion. So James and John (abetted by their mother we learn elsewhere) begin figuring on the best positions in the kingdom. How persistent, how diabolical is self. Not a word about the shame and suffering; only first place. How serpent-like is the approach: Give us whatsoever we shall ask, trusting to his blind generosity and personal partiality.

But it must come out in the open: What would ye? And they vomit it out, "to sit on thy right hand and on thy left in thy glory." And these were about the two best in the bunch.

How patiently He answers them, "Ye know not what ye ask." He attributes their request to ignorance. The ignorance was chiefly as to what it would cost them. Are ye able to drink the cup that I drink and to be baptized that I am baptized with? They answer lightly, "We are able." Still ignorant. And then Jesus tells them that they will go through what He endures. And they did in different ways.

But place in the kingdom is not bestowed on favorites; it is not even given in reward for certain service rendered; but it is given by the Father to those for whom it is prepared. Place is for those who have the best qualifications, to those who can render the largest and best service, whose spirit is in accord with the nature of God and the beneficent character of the gospel.

James and John showed up very poorly here. But we need not be too hard on them. There are others. Would we have done any better? The ten showed they had the same disposition. They were very indignant at James and John. And they were so because to grant their request would set the ten aside. And so they didn't like it. What we dislike or criticize in others is shown to be in us by the fact that we resent it in them. If they had said, "Sure give it to them," that would have been different. If they had been sorry for the weakness and selfishness of James and John, it would have been different. But no, they were indignant, "huffy."

But Jesus' heart is very tender. He loved them all in spite of their selfishness, and deals with them gently. "He calls them to Him." You can talk better to people when they are close to you.

God help us to get the lesson He

is teaching them: not like the gentiles; let's not follow the crowd and be slaves to custom. The way they do is the way not to do. Let them be a warning and not an example. The Gentiles lord it over them. Not so among you. This is different, yes opposite. Turn it completely in reverse. To be great, be a servant. To be greatest, be a slave. Are we willing? Really, will we do it? Well, Jesus did it. It was the guiding principle of His being: The Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many. God help us to get on the right road and go in the right direction. To be biggest we must be best. -BR-

#### Baptist Student Union

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ACTIVITIES AT WOMAN'S COLLEGE

Sunday afternoon the members of the BYPU's brought their Bibles out to the Lily Pool to read and study. For a half-hour the girls read and made comment on their favorite passages of Scripture. Even after they were no longer able to read because of the darkness they lingered to talk of their interpretations of the Bible and what it meant to them.

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During this year we have had the privilege of having many of our outstand in g Mississippi Baptist workers talk to us in chapel, and great was our delight when Dr. W. T. Lowrey walked up on the stage Wednesday morning. He talked, not on the age-old topic of "What kind of husband will you get?" but "What kind of wife will you make?" Everybody thoroughly enjoyed his talk and we want him to come back.

M. S. C. W.

MSCW—April 28. Hello everybody! I'm Goochie, the new reporter. Greetings from the Bluebirds.

MSCW had a full program this week in BSU activities. If you won't take my word for it, read on and find out for yourself.

Sunday morning reports were given on the Spring Retreat at Mississippi College by Lavonne Reeves, Clara Brashears, and Bertha Walters. The Retreat, by the way, was a huge success, judging from their reports.

This week, with Bertha Walters as our new President of BSU, prayer meetings have been devoted to a discussion of vocations. Monday Mrs. Hick McClanahan talked on "Homemaking as a Vocation." Having spent five years in the business world before her marriage and then knowing her business about homemaking, she was thoroughly qualified to talk on the subject. Mrs. McClanahan's family is about the most ideal we know of, and since she must be at the least in part responsible for that, we think she was well able to discuss Homemaking. The key of her speech was, "The income of the Home is not so

important as the Output." Then she analyzed home in the following terms: H—Happiness, Haven, and a foretaste of Heaven; O—Obedience, Opportunity, and Ownership( each has his share of responsibility in the home); M—Morals, Manners; E—Energy, Enthusiasm. I hope you enjoy reading about this talk half as much as the girls enjoyed hearing it.

Tuesday Mr. V. P. Ferguson of the Physics Department at MSCW talked on "Teaching as a Vocation." Scholarship, he emphasized, is important but it does not make the teacher. And then came MSCW's inevitable word "Personality" and interest in pupils. He ended by giving us some entirely new information. "Teaching is the finest stepping stone to matrimony." I knew religious work was pretty good along that line-well, ask Dick Mc-Connel, Frances Landrum, Miss Cecelia Durscherl, Miss Irene Ward, and perhaps later Miss Whitte.

Wednesday Dr. Franks, Baptist pastor, talked on "God has a plan for every life." If God has a plan for every plant, if each snowflake is made according to a certain design, if there isn't an accident in God's universe, with even the planets according to God's plans, would God have left alone altogether the greatest of His creations—man? God's plan for man is that his cause should be always "Godward." If we do not fit into God's plan into His scheme of things, that plan will be forever incomplete.

Thursday Dr. Franks discussed "We May Find that Plan." He used as Scriptures "Will the God of all the world be unjust?" and "if any man wills to know the will of God he shall know." Then he pointed out that God arranged our lives into His eternal plan just as a florist arranges flowers into places which will make the bouquet most beautiful.

BYPU Sunday night was a program of reminiscences. Bertha Walters, outgoing director of BYPU, and Margaret Gooch, her assistant, talked over the fun and the mistakes of the year. Then the candles were lighted in the back yard of the Workshop and Bertha gave Esther Bradley, the incoming director, a bouquet of the roses plucked from the roses over the arbor in front.

The first council meeting for the new council was held Tuesday night. The old council met with the new.

Dr. J. T. Henderson of Nashville, Tenn., president of the Brotherhood of the South, will be in Columbus this week-end. He will talk at prayer meeting and will preach a special student's sermon Sunday night at the installation service for the new council members.

Margaret Gooch, MSCW.

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